

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 13th DAY OF JUNE, 1967, AT 7:30 P. M.

On the 13th day of June, 1967, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in regular meeting in the regular meeting place of said City, with the following members thereof, to-wit:

Earl Nisbet	Mayor
Carl Liese	Commissioner, Ward No. 1
Dayle V. Smith	Commissioner, Ward No. 2
Byron McNeil	Commissioner, Ward No. 3
Edgar C. Wareing	Commissioner, Ward No. 4
Gene H. Nerren	Commissioner at Large, Place A
Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D.	Commissioner at Large, Place B
David Walker	City Attorney (Acting City Manager)
Lynn Durham	City Secretary

being present, constituting a quorum, when the following business was transacted.

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Walter Kerr of Tyler, Texas, who was in attendance as a visitor.
2. Mayor welcomed a large number of visitors who were present as observers or in connection with items on the Agenda and stated that those who were not on the Agenda could be heard later in the meeting if they so desired.
3. A general discussion was had on proposed annexation of Keltys area and DW gave an outline or procedure to follow in connection with such annexation. A lengthy discussion was had after which BEA made motion that City Commission hold a hearing on the proposed annexation of the area of Keltys as outlined by City Attorney by field notes and map at the request of the City Commission and that date for such hearing be set for August 7, 1967, at 7:30 P.M. CL seconded the motion and before vote was taken several visitors made comments but were advised by the Mayor to officially make their comments at the public hearing set for August 7, 1967. A unanimous affirmative vote was then given to the above motion and second.
4. Ray Terrell and Sam Dixon of Bernard Johnson Engineers, Inc. were present and presented revised working drawings on the City Hall and Police Station building with a reduction in floor space area of 3260 sq. ft. Mr. Dixon stated he had been in consultation with Mr. William E. Wolff, new City Manager, who had given information on his desires on possible rearrangement of offices which would allow for better circulation. Mr. Dixon also stated that in order to reduce the cost of the structure to fall within available funds a number of items were recommended such as:
 1. The Deductive Alternates be accepted
 2. The clerestory be removed and flat roof substituted
 3. Brick be substituted for cast stone
 4. Allow building spoil to be used for fill material and iron ore be substituted for crushed rock as base material.
 5. Accept the substitution of lighting fixtures and that lights be controlled from master panels instead of having a switch leg in each room.
 6. A change in steel quality be made in the horizontal straps in the jail equipment
 7. Remove the "topping" on curbs and entry porch
 8. Reduce the size of the building 3260 sq. ft.

He stated these reductions should reduce the cost of the building approximately \$73,000.00. Considerable discussion developed on this subject and ECW made motion that the City Commission authorize our Consultants to proceed with detailed plans based on the latest proposed changes as outlined to the City Commission on June 13, 1967, and to negotiate with the two contractors on these plans. Motion seconded by GHN and the following vote recorded.

Voting Aye: EN, ECW, BMcN, GHN, DVS

Voting Nay: CL, BEA

Mayor declared motion carried by majority vote.

5. DW advised had been in conversation with local Lufkin Telephone Exchange officials regarding charges they propose to make for moving their equipment on North Angelina Street as well as discussion of their franchise agreement which was on the Agenda for this meeting. DW stated that these local telephone officials had agreed to write the City Commission a letter withdrawing their proposed charges for moving equipment and that he had told them it would be unnecessary for them to be present to discuss their franchise since this was the reason it was on the Agenda. DW stated that as soon as letter was received, he would furnish each City Commission member a copy.
6. DW called attention to official action taken by the City Commission in regard to meeting of April 28, 1953, when authorization was given to close alley running East and West between Polk and Laural and Second and Third Streets. However, from the records, no quit-claim deed had been granted by the City closing such alley and was requesting City Commission to pass Resolution to close this alley and authorize Mayor to sign quit-claim deed to all adjoining property owners. DVS made motion to cover recommendation of DW as set out above. Seconded by BMcN and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.
7. Discussion was had on possibility of renaming all or part of Frank and Dozier Streets and action was postponed until recommendation of City Planning and Zoning Commission was presented to the City Commission at later meeting.
8. DW stated that Mr. Bryan Sparks of Bernard Johnson Engineers, Inc. visited with him today regarding sewer study his firm was authorized to make and that this study will be presented at next regular meeting. DW stated he had taken the liberty to invite the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the City Planning and Zoning Commission to be present in connection with this item.
9. DW stated that he had written Mr. Dieter Ufer of Bernard Johnson Engineers, Inc. that Mr. Marvin Hagemeyer of Economic Development Administration had agreed to appear before the City Commission on July 18, 1967, and had requested Mr. Ufer to be in attendance in order to bring the City Commission up to date on the Economic Development Administration application.
10. DW stated that he was going to contact Southwestern Bell Telephone regarding proposed charges against City for moving lines on North Angelina Street in the amount of \$7,872.00 with the hopes of getting them to reduce or modify this charge.

11. DW stated that the new Zoo at Ellen Trout Lake Park was scheduled to open on June 17, at 1:00 P.M. and a general discussion was had on the administration of this Zoo after it has been turned over to the City. ECW made motion that between now and the opening date of June 17, that the Mayor be authorized to appoint a Zoo Board not to exceed 9 members. GHN seconded the motion and the following vote was recorded:

Voting Aye: EN, BMCN, ECW and GHN.

Voting Nay: CL, DVS, and BEA.

Mayor declared motion carried by majority and would name such Zoo Board as instructed which would comprise mainly Rotary Club members.

12. DW called attention to recent legislation prohibiting closed executive sessions by Governmental Bodies. DW passed out information on this legislation and advised the City Commission that they could have an executive meeting with the City Attorney at anytime on any matter that needed attention and other executive meetings could be had which were exceptions to the general rule.
13. BEA suggested that consideration be given to placing night watchmen and Meter Maids under Chief of Police direction. Discussion brought out that these employees were not under the Firemens or Police Civil Service Act and City officials will check to see if such move would place them under this act as was the ruling made at the time they were employed.
14. Mayor stated that the term of office of three City Planning and Zoning Commission members, namely, Wyatt Leinart, Joe Stegall and Sam W. Griffin would be up on June 30 and these members or other persons should be appointed to fill this position. Discussion was had on increasing the total membership of the City Planning and Zoning Commission to seven members. DVS made motion that City Commission authorize the increase in membership to seven members effective as of July 1, 1967, with the two new members being appointed for two-year terms and thereafter for three-year terms. BEA seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.
15. Carrol Allen, visitor who was present, requested the City Commission to consider Southwestern Bell Telephone Company as well as others when franchise agreement with Lufkin Telephone Exchange comes up for renewal. He also commented on service now being rendered the public under present franchise agreement with Lufkin Telephone Exchange. City Attorney advised Mr. Allen that City Charter stipulates procedure to be followed in the granting of franchise to any utility company.
16. There being no further business for consideration, meeting was adjourned at 10:15 P.M.



Mayor - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:



City Secretary - City of Lufkin, Texas